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Mr. President made his

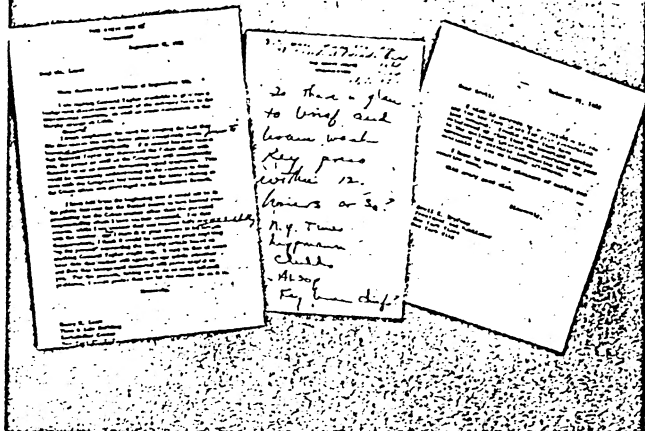
THE WHITE HOUSE

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DOCUMENTS RELATING TO CUBA AT THE KENNEDY LIBRARY:  
THE ONE THE PRESIDENT DIDN'T WRITE (center)

## KENNEDY DOCUMENTS

This past January the Kennedy Library in Waltham, Mass., released approximately 100,000 papers of the late John F. Kennedy. On May 5th, Intelligence Report reproduced three of them; two typewritten letters, one from President Kennedy to Henry R. Luce, publisher of the Time-Life empire, the other to Orvil Dryfoos, then publisher of The New York Times. Both were thank-you notes of a sort expressing Kennedy's gratitude for the publishers' keeping mum various aspects of the Cuban missile crisis. The third item was a handwritten White House memo which Intelligence Report said "may have been penned by the President himself."

That memo says—"Is there a plan to brief and brainwash key press within 12 hours or so?" It then lists the following names: "N.Y. Times, Lippmann, Childs, Alsop, key bureau chiefs."

That particular memo was not written by President John F. Kennedy. It was written by Maj. Gen. Chester "Ted" Clifton, who served as a military aide to President Kennedy. Clifton wrote it during a meeting of the National Security Council, left it on the table where it was picked up by Evelyn Lincoln, President Kennedy's secretary, and placed into the Presidential files. It was never brought to President Kennedy's attention.

The Kennedy Library has made note of its true author.